

Sierra Blanca ISD Board Meeting Minutes

March 20, 2023

I. Call Meeting to Order

Meeting was called to order by President Robert Gomez at 6:10pm, Motion made by Tyler Elam and seconded by Annette Ramirez. Motion Carried unanimously
Members Present: Robert Gomez, Tyler Elam, Annette Ramirez, Alicia Walker, America Pinela, Marty Bustamante, and Mary Lewis

II. Opening Activities

Board Conducted traditional opening activities

III. Verification of Compliance with the Open Meetings Law.

a. This is to verify that the provisions of Texas Government Code, Chapter 551.041 in connection with public posting of meeting notice was met on this date:
March 17, 2023.

Meeting was verified to be posted March 17, 2023 at 12:32pm

IV. Open Forum

Michelle Penalosa, (spoke for staff) spoke of Teacher Evaluations and the consideration of evaluations of T-Tes not to be filed in teachers' folders due to administration changes that have taken place and lack of time to make all necessary training requirements and adjustments in classroom.

V. Consent Items

a. DISCUSSION/APPROVAL OF FINANCIAL

i. Consideration of Expenditures Since Previous Meeting

ii. Budget Expended by Function

b. TAX COLLECTIONS

c. DISCUSSION/APPROVAL OF BOARD MINUTES FROM SPECIAL BOARD MEETING ON MARCH 9, 2023 AT 6PM.

Motion made by Tyler Elam and seconded by Alicia Walker to accept all consent items, including Financial Expenditures, Tax Collections, and Board Minutes from March 9, 2023, as presented in the board packet. Motion Carried unanimously.

VI. DISCUSSION/APPROVAL OF THE PROPOSED DISTRICT OF INNOVATION PLAN FINAL DRAFT FOR 2023-2028 TO BE POSTED ACCORDING TO THE TEA GUIDELINES.

Discussion of the plan and a quick review of the draft presented. Next step is to place draft on Sierra Blanca ISD website and inform community members and families. Robert Gomez signed the letter of intent to adopt District of Innovation Plan per March 9, 2023 meeting (Agenda Item X).

VII. DISCUSSION/APPROVAL OF THE DISTRICT/CAMPUS IMPROVEMENT PLAN FOR 2022-2023 SCHOOL YEAR.

Need more time. Motion to table by Alicia Walker and seconded by Tyler Elam. Motion Carried unanimously.

VIII. DISCUSSION/APPROVAL OF AMENDMENTS TO THE ARCHITECT SCOPE AND SEQUENCE AND FEE FOR THE REMAINING BOND WORK AS OF CHANGES MADE IN MARCH 2023.

Motion made by Tyler Elam and seconded by Annette Ramirez to approve the amendments to the Architect Scope of Sequence and Fee for the remaining bond work as of changes made in March 2023 as presented in new contract. Motion carried unanimously.

IX. DISCUSSION/APPROVAL OF CONTRACT FOR NETWORK SUPPORT.

Waiting for a couple more bids to find one main network support. Motion to table by Tyler Elam and seconded by Marty Bustamante. Motion carried unanimously

X. Closed Session

a. Discussion/Approval of Personnel Issues Including: Employment, Resignations, Reassignment Duties, Performance Problems and Evaluations (TX CODE 551.074)

Due to the nature of specific personnel not being named, closed session remained open. Superintendent McGraw explained she would like to evaluate the teachers using T-Tes as a learning experience but not include in Teachers' Folders, rather provide a letter explaining the evaluation and lack of evaluations for previous years from previous administrators.

XI. Superintendent's Report

a. Bond Updates/Score Board Update: Poles are primed and will be painted

b. Safety Update: none

c. Compliance Update: continuing Campus Improvement Plan work and conducting Parent/Family Engagement (Example: Meeting set March 21, 2023 for Title III)

d. Facilities Update: Bond Movement, waiting on lawyers for Gallagher contract

e. Board Training: Evaluating and Improving Student Outcomes on March 25, 2023 at 9

XII. Schedule Future Meetings

a. Items for future meetings- Board Members

Meeting April 24, 2023 at 6pm

XIII. Adjourn

Motion made by Tyler Elam to Adjourn at 7:59pm and seconded by Annette Ramirez. Motion carried unanimously.